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In Chicago and Boston, prices were lower on mediums and unchanged on the remainder. Prices in all other locations were unchanged. The market tone was cautiously steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to mostly moderate but interest was not very active for next week's holiday business. Movement and deliveries of eggs into the Northeast were slightly improved but still very disruptive. Supplies were adequate to ample. Breaking stock supplies were fully adequate to ample for the light to occasionally moderate demand. Light type hens were more than sufficient for processing schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Boston, prices were unchanged to 3 cents lower on mediums and unchanged on the larger sizes. In Philadelphia and New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was cautiously steady entering the weekend. Demand into all channels ranged light to mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate to ample for the light demand. Light type fowl were more than sufficient for trade needs.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was mixed entering the weekend. Demand was light to mostly moderate, additional inquiry was noted due to the upcoming holiday. Supplies were adequate to available for full trade needs.

MIDWEST Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were down 2 cents on mediums, large and smalls unchanged. Prices in all other areas unchanged. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady to weak. Retail movement irregular, slow to instances fairly good. Food service demand generally moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample for all sizes with mediums in the longest position. Central States nest run breaking stock prices unchanged to lower with checks and undergrades unchanged. Demand was mostly light and to instances moderate. Whole egg producers were working on regular commitments and contractual orders only. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment weak.

CHICAGO Prices for larger sizes unchanged, mediums declined two cents. The market tone was steady to weak. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best where features are a factor. Supplies adequate to available for larger sizes, mediums supplies ample.

SOUTHERN Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending lower from current week. The market tone was cautiously steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to occasionally ample. Breaking stock supplies were fully adequate to ample and demand was light. Light type fowl were more than sufficient for the light and mostly unaggressive demand.

WEST COAST Prices unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak with asking prices for next week throughout the region unchanged on jumbo, extra large, and large, 4 cents lower on medium. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings in fair balance.

PRICES TO RETAILERS - SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	98-100	85-87	56-61
New York	63-65	60-63	36-39
Philadelphia	61-63	59-61	35-41.5
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	52-53	50.5-52	31-32
Jackson (1)	63-64	59-60	40-41
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	60-72	56-70	37-51
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	49-54	48-53	28-33
Detroit (2)	47-50	46-49	28-31
Major Ohio Cities (2)	48-54	47-52	29-35
Major Wisconsin Cities	51-59	49-56	32-39
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	65-68	60-64	40-45
Southern California (Grade AA) (4)	72-84	68-75	53-59
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	87	78	63
(1) - Prices Reported Weekly	(3) - Reported Invoice Prices		
(2) - Delivered Warehouse	(4) - Prices To Retailers		

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak with asking prices for next week unchanged on jumbo, extra large and large, 4 cents lower on medium and small. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate. Small invoice price 43. Ads in Southern California: major-large dozen buy 1 get 1 free; smaller outlets-extra large dozen 79, 20 pack 169, large dozen 89-99, medium dozen 2 for \$1.

CALIFORNIA

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	101
EXTRA LARGE	87
LARGE	78
MEDIUM	63

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	88-98
EXTRA LARGE	72-84
LARGE	68-75
MEDIUM	53-59

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	239-289
EXTRA LARGE	229-269
LARGE	199-229
MEDIUM	149-199

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Nest run breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to lower with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings of heavy and light shell eggs were fully adequate to ample. Demand continued mostly light to instances moderate. Many producers of whole egg were working on regular commitments and contractual orders only. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample. Schedules full-time to over-time. Trade sentiment weak.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
NEST RUN	27-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	10-14

CENTRAL STATES AREA:

AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were unchanged to lower when compared to early week trading. Demand was light for fully adequate to ample offerings. Overall, most buyers were not active and usually limiting purchases to regular suppliers. The undertone was no better than steady. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending September 08, 2001 (holiday week) were 10% less than the previous week, and 4% less than a year ago.

PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	25-29	26-28
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-17	

EASTERN REGION AREA:

AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 08-Sep-01
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,137,697	26,056	10,933	5,863	2,795	4,073
PW	1,253,310	29,117	12,018	5,956	2,870	4,357
LY	1,125,596	25,421	11,536	6,112	2,411	3,596
% PW	-9	-11	-9	-2	-3	-7
% LY	1	2	-5	-4	16	13

2001 41,256,561 937,201 414,753 222,125 90,486 147,643

2000 41,993,281 945,865 424,737 228,518 104,217 139,223

*% CHG YTD -2 -1 -2 -3 -13 6

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE-	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.25	41.05	41.46
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	37.67	37.57	38.26

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 67 to 68.5 cents fob, with pasteurized whites reported at 17.5 cents fob. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady for whole egg, weak on whites, and fully steady to firm for yolk. White offerings were fully adequate to ample with a few loads discounted to ensure movement. Whole egg was seen as adequate to available and yolk was rated as mostly tight. Demand was fair to good for whole egg and whites and good for yolk. Breaking stock supplies were fully adequate to ample with prices lower when compared to last week. Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 14 September, 2001 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	20	28-30	28.70	-1.20
WHITES	31	12.5-18.5	14.98	-.61
YOLKS	15	69-70.5	69.57	-.01

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Prices were irregular on whole, unchanged to higher on sugared yolks, and generally unchanged on balance of product items when compared to a week earlier. Demand was usually light to moderate. Offerings were irregular with sugared yolks in the best position. Undertone was at least steady on yolks, usually steady on whole and continued mixed on whites. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending September 8, 2001 were 8% less than the previous week, and 5% less than a year ago.

	CONTAINERS)	TRUCKLOTS	LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)
WHOLE	41-48	42-45	49-56
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		65-85
WHITES	27-32	29-30	34-49
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-81		80-87
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	73-77	74-76	77-79
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.			

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Prices on frozen whole egg ranged unchanged to 1 cent lower with whites and salt yolk unchanged. Sugared yolk ranged unchanged to 1 cent higher when compared to last week's reported prices. Trade sentiment was steady on whole egg and whites and steady to fully steady on sugar and salt yolk. Offerings were usually adequate with demand mostly moderate. Many processors worked to build low frozen inventories at this call. Breaking stock supplies were fully adequate with prices lower.

	CONTAINERS)	TRUCKLOTS	MOSTLY
WHOLE	41-47		42-45
WHITES	28-32		
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-82		79-81
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	73-76		75-76

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices 1 cent lower on whole, unchanged on the balance. Southern California breaking activity for the holiday week ending 9/8 was 17% less than the previous week. Breaking stock adequate. Frozen demand fair with freezer stocks adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	49-52
WHITES	34-37
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	83-86
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-82

NATIONAL DRIED EGG Mostly prices were unchanged to lower on albumen, balance of mostly values were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. The undertone was no better than about steady on albumen, cautiously steady on whole, and at least steady on yolks. Trading was mixed but usually reported as light. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending September 08, 2001 were 3% less than the previous week, but 16% more than the same week a year ago. Year to date total change was 13% less than a year earlier.

	WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.
WHOLE	1.47-1.80 MOSTLY 1.50-1.60
YOLKS	1.72-2.00 MOSTLY 1.77-1.87
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.10-2.75 MOSTLY 2.15-2.25
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.17-1.30 MOSTLY 1.20-1.25

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR SEP 7, 2001 - SEP 13, 2001

CURRENT LOADS								107.00		FUTURE LOADS								64.75		TOTAL LOADS								171.75	
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW									
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS												
GNR W 1	33.00	34.55	33.50	35.17	30.50	32.14	32.00	GNR W 2	—	31.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00												
GNR W 2	26.00	29.00	—	—	28.67	30.00	5.00	GNR BR 1	—	44.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00												
GNR W 3	21.00	24.00	21.00	23.00	22.50	24.50	4.00	GL W XL	—	40.46	—	—	—	44.00	21.75														
GNR BR 1	—	—	36.75	38.00	46.50	48.00	4.00	GL W LG	33.00	36.91	—	—	—	39.69	26.75														
GL W XL	—	40.09	42.00	43.49	34.24	—	46.50	GL W MD	20.00	26.63	—	—	—	25.78	10.50														
GL W LG	33.57	41.04	33.75	42.40	31.28	36.67	40.50	GL W SM	14.00	16.00	—	—	—	—	1.00														
GL W MD	—	21.00	17.80	19.86	21.27	24.67	15.50	NRBS - 39	18.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00														
GL W SM	16.25	18.67	15.42	16.83	—	—	9.00																						
GL BR MD	—	—	24.50	26.00	—	—	1.00																						
NRBS - 48	26.00	—	25.00	26.00	27.03	28.25	21.75																						
NRBS - 45	22.00	—	—	—	22.42	24.14	7.00																						
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	18.50	20.50	1.00																						
NRBS - 39	—	—	16.00	17.00	14.50	17.93	11.25																						

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

EASTERN LIGHT Prices were unchanged. Offerings were more than sufficient for trade needs. Demand light and mostly unaggressive. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal. Cannery movement was moderate with offerings generally adequate for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent leghorn hens. Finished sales were moderate at best. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Offerings of spent fowl continue ample with demand just fair. Slaughter schedules full-time for next week. Trade sentiment about steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules irregular. Offerings ranged from light in the Northwest to exceeding available line time in California.

LIVE TYPE HENS

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0 (1)	
Eastern Light	0-0 (2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR (2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR (1)	
No. Central Light	0 (2)	

(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 14-SEP-01
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED
STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	63.51	61.13	39.97
SOUTHERN	59.02	56.82	37.44
MIDWEST	51.28	49.99	32.31
WESTERN	79.74	72.60	56.80
TWELVE METRO AREAS	66.10	62.24	44.10
COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS			

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher on both light and heavy canners, when compared to a week earlier. Trading was moderate for a mostly fair to fairly good demand. Offerings were clearing and was in close balance to adequate for current trade needs. The undertone was mostly steady.

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, W/O FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
24-27 MAJORITY 24-25	31.25-38 MAJORITY 31.75-32

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
24.75-29.5 MAJORITY 24.75-25	32.5-40 MAJORITY 32.75-33

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 08-Sep-01

(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,633	1,320	2,953
LAST WEEK	1,924	1,410	3,334
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,489	1,296	2,785
TO-DATE/2001	63,489	49,516	113,005
TO-DATE/2000	69,539	51,624	121,163

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	234	0	234
LAST WEEK	371	16	387
SAME WEEK YR AGO	235	20	255
TO-DATE/2001	15,865	243	16,108
TO-DATE/2000	16,967	498	17,465

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,867	1,320	3,187
LAST WEEK	2,295	1,426	3,721
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,724	1,316	3,040
TO-DATE/2001	79,354	49,759	129,113
TO-DATE/2000	86,506	52,122	138,628

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Sep 01, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	285	102	7,778	4,771
Frozen	0	0	78	126
Dried	0	36	40	376
Total	285	138	7,896	5,273

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

	Week Ending Sep 01, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	76	37	3,697	3,911
Frozen	66	13	1,003	569
Dried	72	0	473	654
Total	214	50	5,173	5,134

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Sep 01, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	80	87	1,327
Extra Large	2,550	1,090	41,911	33,694
Large	3,109	2,820	84,891	97,917
Medium	240	760	32,218	24,729
Ungraded	10,410	17,310	257,210	256,954
Misc	1,495	750	64,774	8,637
Total	17,804	22,810	481,091	423,258

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS). CENTS PER DOZEN

	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	26-29	6-9	2

NEW ENGLAND PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
125-128	79-82	66-69	37-40	12-15

DETROIT PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE. CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
55-58	46-52	44-49	26-31	16-20

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 11-Sep-01	3,474	215,691	59,844
AM 1-Aug-01	2,271	183,272	59,991
CHG	1,203	32,419	-147
PCT CHG	53	18	0

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of July 31, 2001 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on September 1, 2001 are:

FROZEN EGGS	23	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5.00 PCT
TURKS	543	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5.00 PCT
POP	628	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5.00 PCT

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 08-Aug-01

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	21.3	21.8	-2	-3
BOSTON	4.4	4.4	0	7
CHICAGO	56.8	46.5	22	18
DETROIT	26.3	33.0	-20	4
KANSAS CITY	3.9	3.9	0	34
LOS ANGELES	94.6	114.0	-17	-8
NEW ORLEANS	9.2	8.4	10	8
NEW YORK	37.2	39.5	-6	9
ST. LOUIS	15.9	17.9	-11	7
SAN FRANCISCO	22.4	22.4	0	3
TOTAL	292.0	311.8	-6	3
4 WK MVG AVG	296.9			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT

W/E 08-Sep-01

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	229.4	0	7
E.N. CENTRAL	496.4	-5	8
W.N. CENTRAL	263.8	1	7
S. ATLANTIC	182.5	1	-5
S. CENTRAL	80.4	-1	10
WEST	202.0	-3	18
TOTAL	1454.5	-2	7
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		88	88

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG

SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	112	99	73	47
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	105-109	92-96	66-70	41-45
MOSTLY	107-108	94-95	68-69	43-44
RHODE ISLAND	111-115	98-102	72-76	46-50
MOSTLY	111	98	72	46
VERMONT	115	100-102	77-79	-
MOSTLY	-	102	77	-

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